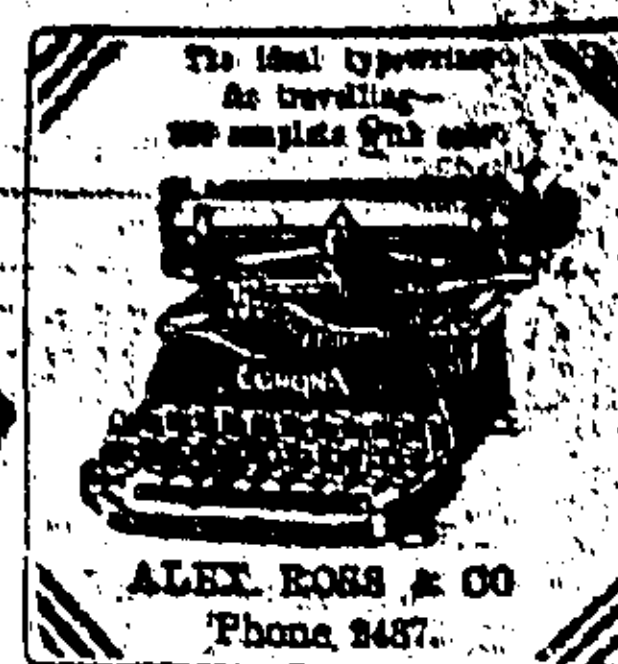


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TO-DAY'S CABLES.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

CHINA SOUND STEAMER CAPTIVED.

ALL SAVED.

New York, Aug. 5.
The British steamer *Clan Gordon*, from New York for China, has captured. All aboard were rescued by the steamer *Abangarey*.

SILVER.

LONDON, Aug. 5.
Silver is quoted 553-553. There are only small supplies.

CRICKET.

LONDON, Aug. 2.
Surrey v. Australians was a draw. Sussex beat Yorkshire by five wickets.

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

HUNGARIANS HAVE LABOUR CABINET.

COPENHAGEN, August 1st.
A telegram from Budapest states that a Socialist Government has been formed under M. Beidel, who declares that his chief task will be to preserve internal order and enter into negotiations with the Entente.

LATER.
The new Government consists of representatives of Trade Unions.
M. Bela Kun and his revolutionary governing council have resigned.

PROPAGANDA AND COUNTER-PROPAGANDA.
ARCHANGEL, July 30th.
Yesterday's trouble, among two Russian regiments, emphasises the almost insuperable difficulty of effectively combatting the propaganda of the Bolsheviks, whose agents are everywhere working among the illiterate Russians, although they are completely unsuccessful in the districts which experienced the terrors of Bolshevik rule.

Thousands of the Russian Northern Army, inexperienced, therefore believe the wonderful cries of the agitators, who dribble across the lines in the guise of deserters desirous of fighting the Bolsheviks.

It is quite impossible to distinguish the genuine from the false.
The Russian and British authorities are straining every nerve to counter-attack the propaganda by dropping anti-Bolshevik leaflets and despatching agents by aeroplane behind the Bolshevik lines.

General Ironside's Headquarters have been moved to Archangel from Berezinik.

THE ARMY ON THE RHINE.
PARIS, August 2nd.
The Supreme Council has decided that a French Commander will be Commander-in-Chief of all the Allied troops on the Rhine.

The question of the distribution of the captured war material among the Allies has been referred to the military experts. It has been finally decided that no Government will be allowed to sell such material.

To-day's meeting of the Council considered the difficult question of the repatriation of 300,000 Russian war-prisoners still in Germany. It is not desired to retain men in captivity longer than necessary, but the Allies are unwilling to surrender them as recruits for the Bolshevik Army.

The Supreme Council discussed, to-day, the request of the Jugo-Slav Government for the occupation of the Prekmurak wheat region, between Hungary and Jugo-Slavia, on racial grounds.

It is expected that the question of Thrace will be speedily settled.

POLICE STRIKE.
LONDON, August 2nd.
The police situation is stationary. There was no further spread of the strike in the provinces.

Some half-hearted demonstrations took place outside London police-stations, but these were easily scattered. Picketing is practically non-existent as the picketers have been warned that they are liable to immediate arrest.

LONDON, August 2nd.
It is officially stated that altogether 994 policemen have struck out of 32,000 in London, 706 out of 2,200 in Liverpool, 60 out of 400 in Bristol, and 88 out of 1,450 in Birmingham.

strikers' places are being filled by new recruits.

UNG HOURS, POOR PAY.
LONDON, August 2nd.
The Railway Clerks' Association, particularly in the North of England, threaten to cease work as a protest against the delay in the consideration of their demands for better all-round conditions as regards pay, hours and holidays.

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

OUR EMPIRE'S O.K.

OPTIMISTIC SPEECH BY LORD MILNER.

LONDON, August 2nd.
Lord Milner, speaking at Oxford, referring to the British Commonwealth, said he did not share the fear that the independent positions of the dominions, and India in relation to the League of Nations, would tend to disruption.

If the Commonwealth went to pieces, the strongest pillar of the League would be shattered. We must always settle our domestic differences among ourselves. The Commonwealth had more to lose than any other State by another Armageddon, and nothing to gain.

To have the full support of the Empire our foreign policy must be broad, simple, and straight-forward.

Speaking on the colour question and the development of our possessions, Lord Milner said it was absurd to denounce this policy as exploitation. He did not say that Colonies and Protectorates were not often grossly exploited by the Powers that possessed them, or that they had not themselves in some cases exploited their dependencies in the past, but he did say most emphatically that their present policy was vigorously directed to the prevention of such abuses.

It was their duty to the inhabitants of these countries to make better use of the natural resources, often immense, and almost completely neglected. In the process they inevitably enriched themselves, but if material advantage was derived from their trusteeship it was unquestionable.

Was there not, also, the moral side? He was proud to think that, as a general rule, the men of their race who had been entrusted with power over dependent races had used it well, and had striven to raise the people entrusted to their charge. The nation, as a whole, had gained much from their experience and their example.

WATCH ESTHONIA.
COPENHAGEN, August 2nd.
The Estonian Press Bureau states that the Soviet of Russia has declared that it is resolved to cease war against Estonia, as it is not out for conquests. The Red Army has been ordered to respect the frontier.

The Estonians, however, cognisant of the Soviet's notorious vacillations, recognise that peace can be concluded only in accord with the Allies.

WHAT FOR?
WASHINGTON, August 2nd.
Mr. Josephus Daniels has announced that the Government has placed an order for a 43,000 ton battleship.

POLES RATIFY.
PARIS, August 2nd.
The Polish Parliament has ratified the Treaty of Peace with Germany, also the Treaty guaranteeing the rights of minorities in Poland, by 285 votes to 41.

INTERDEPENDENCE.
LONDON, August 2nd.
Presiding at a Government banquet, in honour of the delegates to the Allied Economic Council meeting in London, Lord Robert Cecil, while deprecating undue pessimism, feared that the economic position was incalculably serious.

The close consultation of the nations was necessary to solve the difficulties. The inter-dependence of nations was one of the products of civilisation.

INDIAN TROOPS IN LONDON.
LONDON, August 2nd.
Much interest was centred in to-day's march past by the Indian troops, who were unable to participate in the recent Victory Pageant.

They arrived in special trains from Hampton Court, and headed by the combined bands of the Guards Brigades, presented a striking and picturesque appearance as they marched from Waterloo to Buckingham Palace grounds, where they were received by the King.

There were also present the Queen, the Prince of Wales, the Duke of Connaught, Sir Douglas Haig and other notable persons.

The King addressed the troops, thanking them for their devotion to the Throne and the Empire, for their war services, and for their cheerful bearing of sufferings and sacrifices.

LABOUR IN U.S.A.
CHICAGO, August 2nd.
The railway shopmen have decided in favour of an immediate strike. Numbers in the Chicago district and the South Eastern States have struck, but the latest information is that the result of the movement has disappointed the leaders, who ignored the instructions of the Labourists of Washington against the strike.

WASHINGTON, August 2nd.
Owing to the Labour situation, the House of Representatives has deferred its recess.

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CHINESE TELEGRAMS.

(Translated for The China Mail from the Wah Tai Po.)

SHANGHAI, Aug. 5.
Kan Wan Pang, the Army Minister, has resigned.

Ko U Him is appointed Minister to Japan, and Ngan Wai Hing Minister to Germany.

Money is tight in Hunan, and Chang King Yu has wired to the Government for rice money.

The Minister of Communications is considering an Air Mail system.

FAR EASTERN CABLE NEWS.

THE TWO PARLIAMENTS.
SHANGHAI, August 5.
Li Yut-hoi had an audience with Kung Sun-jun, the Acting Premier, and discussed the question of combining the old and new Parliaments.

Li said that, according to the constitutional law, the old Parliament which is now in Canton should be protected, for the old Parliament will not consent to the combining of the two Parliaments.

The blame will fall on the Peking Government if the peace negotiations are broken off.

Kung said that the On Fook Club opposed the scheme, so that nothing could be done.

NEW FOREIGN MINISTERS.

The Government has decided to appoint Ko E-him, Chinese Minister to Japan, and Ngan Wai-hing, Minister to Germany.

KIRIN AFFAIRS.

Muan Yun-yuen, the Military Governor of Kirin, has telegraphed to the Peking Government that he has arrived at Chang-chun to exercise his power over all the troops.

No Szep-pun has returned to Chang-chun from Lin-chun, and is ready to hand over the command of the troops to his successor, when one is appointed.

Muan Yun-yuen also says that he is awaiting the arrival of Pau Kwai-hing, who has been appointed his successor, to hand over his seal.

ORIGIN OF DEPTH BOMBS.

New York, June 18.—Rear Admiral William B. Sims, who will become head of the War college at Newport, in an interview, told for the first time how the now famous depth bomb, popularly known as the navy as the "ash can," came to be invented.

Much has been published about this efficient engine of destruction which accounted for so many of the German undersea craft but this story told Admiral Sims by Viscount Jellicoe of Scapa, formerly chief of the Grand Fleet of Britain, is the first account of the origin of the depth bomb idea.

"The bomb is of such simple construction and fills such an obvious need," said Admiral Sims, "that it had not been invented at the period it was it must surely have come to light within a few months of that time."

It was first thought of at the Admiralty, according to Lord Jellicoe, when Admiral Madden, second in command of the British fleet, called for some such device after an encounter that a cruiser he was about to have with a submarine. The German row suddenly close to the cruiser and launched a torpedo at her from short range. This, fortunately, missed, and the cruiser was swung about and rushed toward the enemy at full speed in an endeavour to ram it. However, the German commander got his craft under water in time to save her, but as the British ship went over him the officers leaning over the side could distinctly make out its outlines at some distance below the surface.

Chagrined by the escape, one of Admiral Madden's officers remarked that they would have gotten their prey if they had had a mine to drop over the side as they passed above her.

"Why can't we have something of that sort," replied the admiral, and immediately forwarded the suggestion to the Admiralty officers asking that experts be put at work on the task of proposing specifications.

"Out of this episode," concluded Admiral Sims, "was developed the 'ash can' loaded with TNT, with the aid of which a few destroyers were enabled to protect great convoys and terrorise the German undersea force. The depth bomb and the destroyer became the chief naval factors of the struggle."

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The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED on WEDNESDAY July 30 to TUESDAY, August 5, both days inclusive, during which period no Transfer of Shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
JOHN ARNOLD,
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Hongkong, July 23, 1919.

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Hongkong, July 23, 1919

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By Order of the Board,
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Hongkong, July 23, 1919

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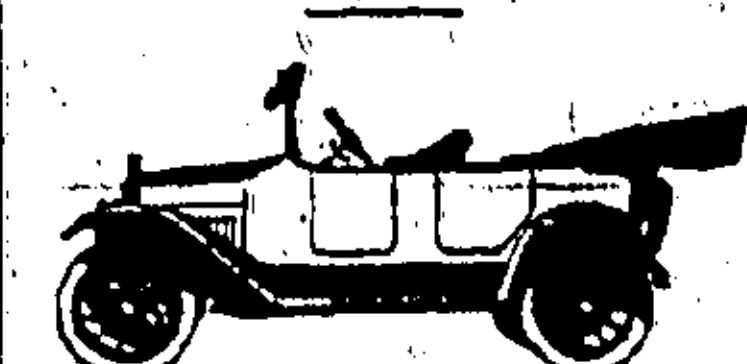
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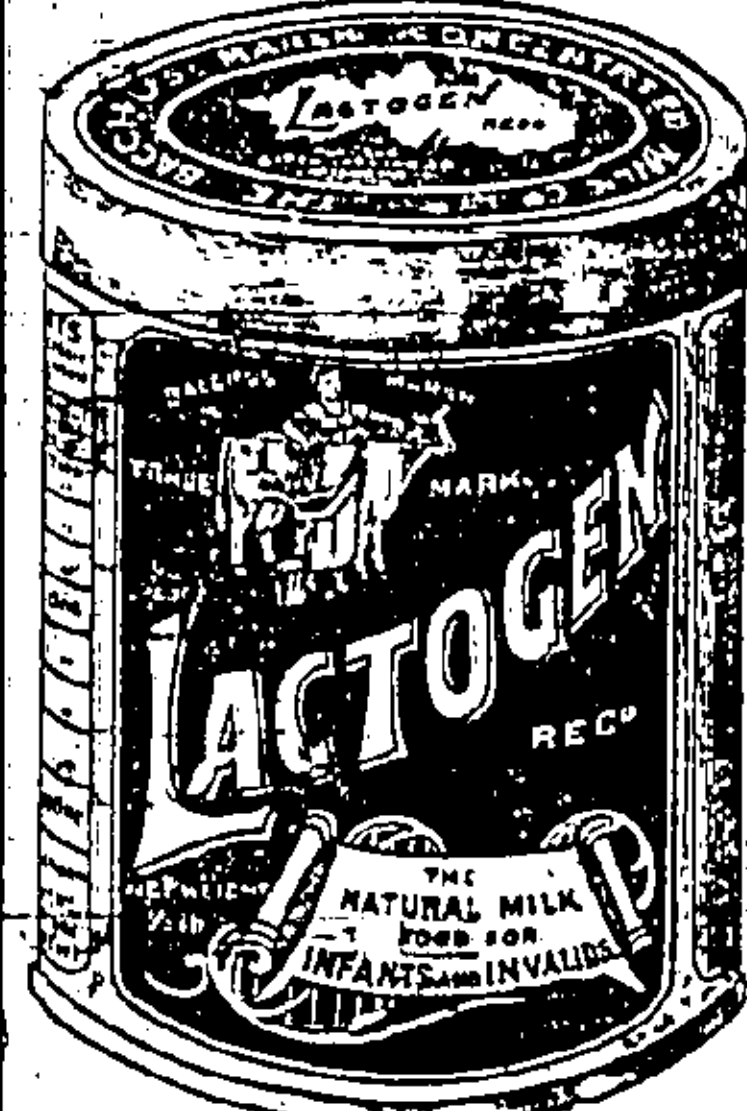
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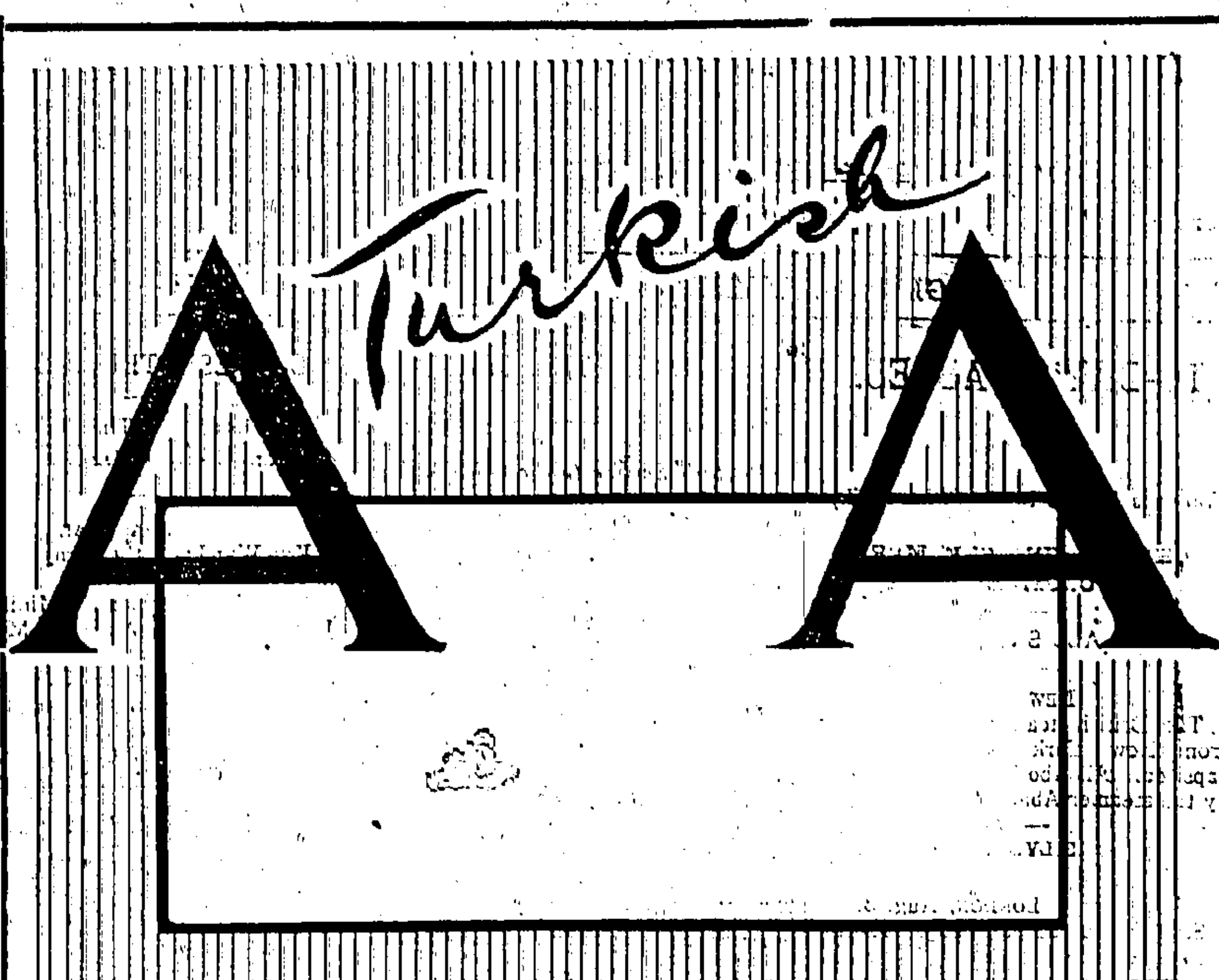


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A JOB ON THE ADEN PATROL.

At the beginning of March, 1917, writes a Naval correspondent of the *Times*, I was in H.M.S. — on the Aden Patrol—a dull job, as all patrolling jobs are. But we did not pretend to be pining for the more thrilling occupation of searching for the German raider Wolf. Her guns could out-range the guns of our little ship so effectively that, had we met her, we should probably have been blown out of the sea before we could put a shot anywhere near her, and, frankly, we had no great desire to meet her. About 10 one evening a signalman appeared at the wardroom door with a message from the bridge: "From the officer of the watch, sir. Ship on the starboard bow showing no lights."

"Probably, an old tramp scared out of his wits by these yarns about the Wolf," suggested someone. "All these merchantmen are going about without lights nowadays."

The Captain and the Navigator went up to the bridge, where they were presently joined by the first Lieutenant. The moon was nearly full, casting a white track across the dark blue carpet of the sea. It was the kind of night that brings back memories of a Thames regatta, of lounging in a well cushioned punt and listening to a good band. To connect such a night with German raiders, guns, mines, and torpedoes was quite impossible; the whole setting was entirely wrong.

The mysterious ship was now two points on our port bow, and about three miles ahead. A thick volume of smoke pouring from her funnel suggested that she was in a hurry, or at all events was not disposed to be sociable with us. We had been ambulating along comfortably at eight knots; the order was given to increase to 10.

SIGNAL LAMP SCINTILLATES.

The shutter of our signal lamp began to rattle. "What ship is that?" The signalman had to repeat the question twice before he evoked an answer.

Turritella was the belated reply. "What nationality?" we asked promptly.

"British," was the answer. "What are your signal letters?"

"J.K.L." came the answer. "We hunted up the name in Lloyd's List, but without success."

"Are you sure you have got his name right, signalman? Ask him again."

"What is your name?" asked the patient signalman. This time the mysterious stranger expanded volubly.

"Turritella, London. Runs for British Admiralty, Port Said, for orders."

What manner of ship was this, who spelt her name at one time with an O and one R, and at another time with a U and two R's? And that expression, "Runs for British Admiralty," would an English merchant skipper talk about the British Admiralty? Would he not say, "Under Admiralty charter," or some such phrase?

The signal lamp of the unknown vessel began to scintillate again. "Who are you?" ran the simple message.

There was certainly a directness about the question suggesting a bluff old English skipper. "A British man-of-war," was our answer. A little later we followed it up by a peremptory order to the stranger to stop. When the signal lamp began to flicker again, it seemed to show just a trifle of hesitation.

"Why did you not stop me when I was passing Aden? Meadows, Master."

His meaning was plain enough. We could have ordered him to stop when we first sighted him, when we were within range of the shore batteries, and when there were British men-of-war lying just round the corner inside the harbour. He evidently suspected us of being the German raider. All these merchantmen were in a state of high nervous tension. The mere fact of being ordered to stop was enough to make him run as hard as he could. It was clear that we could not overhaul him. The only question was, had we sufficient grounds of suspicion to justify us in taking steps to compel him to stop? No one cares to go to the length of firing on a strange merchantman in the middle of the night unless there are grave reasons for doing so. And if this fellow was not a British merchantman, as he professed, what else could he be?

STRANGE MESSAGE. He might be the Wolf. It was at least a possibility. In that case the prospect of an engagement opened up visions of a glorious death, but little else.

Wireless messages were sent to the other ships of the patrol, stating the circumstances and the position, course, and speed. The first watch was over. The officer, who had been relieved, had dropped into the wardroom for a cigarette before turning in. As he lighted up he remarked, "I should like to get hold of that old merchant skipper and give him a piece of my mind."

"The question is," observed one of the pensive members of the mess, "whether he would understand your language. They are not all good linguists."

It was an observation which clearly needed amplifying.

If you were an English skipper under the impression that you were being chased by a German raider, would you expect him to go on chasing you for two hours without firing?"

The officer just relieved from the bridge became meditative. "There was something funny," he said, "even about that last signal asking us why we did not stop him at Aden. The signalman tells me that he first spelt Aden with a 't' and then corrected it."

Even the technicalities of a flag wagger may be fraught with importance. When a messenger came down from the bridge to say that the ship on the port bow seemed to be drawing away from us, the Captain sent back a message to the officer of the watch to put on the best speed he could. The little ship began to throb with her exertions, while her funnel grew red hot.

Just before the morning watch the moon went down, and darkness fell upon the face of the waters. It was evident that we had gained very little, if at all, on the stranger. The Captain, leaning over the bridge rail, sang out for the signalman.

"Make, if you do not stop I shall fire."

"Ay, ay, Sir."

"If you do not stop I shall fire." The signalman closed his shutter on the final word, with a snap. There followed a few minutes of suspense. Then came the answer.

"I am stopping now."

"Number One, tell them to stand by the searchlight," said the Captain to the first Lieutenant. "Signalman, tell him to place his navigation lights."

Very promptly in response to the signal the lights appeared upon the strange ship.

"Now make, 'Remain where you are, I will board you at daylight.'"

When the distance between the ships had been reduced about a mile, the order was given to switch on the searchlight. The great white stream shot across the sea until it settled on the mysterious craft. In large letters across her stern ran the legend, "Turritella, London."

"I believe I have been fooled after all," said the Captain to himself. The searchlight also revealed a party showing off in a boat, presumably containing an irate skipper, wanting to know what the blank blank all this business meant, for in Eastern waters they were not accustomed to it. Presently there came a strange voice through a megaphone from the stranger's bridge.

"Switch off that damned searchlight."

"He seems to be getting a bit ratty. Shall I switch off?"

SURPRISE FOR THE PATROL. The order was given, and darkness prevailed once more. Some minutes later the Eastern sky began to glow, feebly at first, casting a kind of half-light over the face of the sea—a me glimmer in which objects appeared without shape. Out of this gloom there arose such a babel of sound as brought us all to the ship's side.

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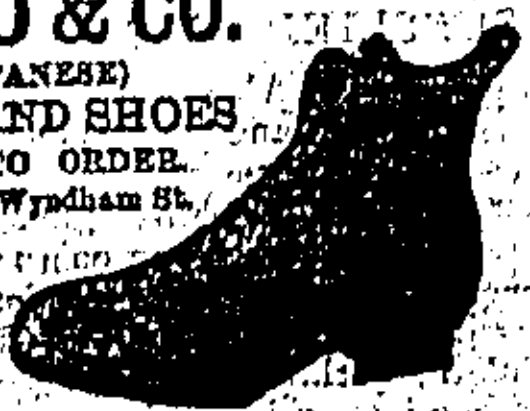
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Ceremonies have come in for a good
deal of criticism in the local press.
It is true, as the critics say, that
they failed to perform any of the
duties of their office, but it is to
be remembered that the system, which is to
blame, has been the custom for
years for those who attend public
dances to form themselves into parties
and make an evening of it among
themselves and leave other parties
to do the same. Any interference upon
the part of the M.C.s with these arrange-
ments would probably be received
with scorn and snubs, but now
that attention has been called to the
inconvenience of the present tradi-
tion perhaps Penang will scrap it
and make future M.C.s acquainted
with the change. Great credit is due
to those who arranged and carried
out the details of the ball, but might
I, without offence, suggest en passant
that the next time we have a
victory ball it would be more respect-
ful and more complimentary to our
returning warriors if they were to
be asked to take a prominent part in
it. As it was, whilst our slackers
and indispensable were having the
time of their lives, many of those
who had fought for them, and
carried bullet wounds incurred upon
their account, had to amuse them-
selves as best they could by looking
on. They were strangers in a very
strange land and must have been
vastly impressed by the difference be-
tween the entertainments given for
the amusement of our sailors and soldiers
at home, where their happiness is
the first concern, and precedence is
given to them by the fair, and the
entertainment in honour of their
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forenoon when the subjoined resolution
will be proposed as an Extraordinary
Resolution viz—

That the Articles of Association of
the Company be altered as follows:—

- (1) By inserting in Article 31 after
the words "upon all the shares"
in the second line thereof the words
"other than fully paid shares".
- (2) By adding at the end of Article
83 the following words, "but
any director so appointed shall
hold Office only until the next
following Ordinary General
Meeting of the Company, and
shall then be eligible for re-
election."
- (3) By adding the following new
Articles to be numbered 89a viz—
"The Company may by a
Special Resolution remove
any Director before the ex-
piration of his period of
Office."
(4) By striking out the word "for-
feited" in the second line
of Article 135 and inserting
place of such word the word
"utilized" and by omitting the
full stop at the end of such
Article and by adding at the
end of such Article the words
"until claimed".
- (5) By inserting in Article 141
after the word "served" in the
sixth line thereof the following
words "and two copies of such
of these documents shall at the
same time be forwarded to the
Secretary of the Share and Loan
Department, The Stock Ex-
change, London."
- (6) Should the above resolution be passed
by the requisite majority it will be sub-
mitted for confirmation as a Special
Resolution to a further Extraordinary
General Meeting and such meeting will
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day of September, 1919, at the same
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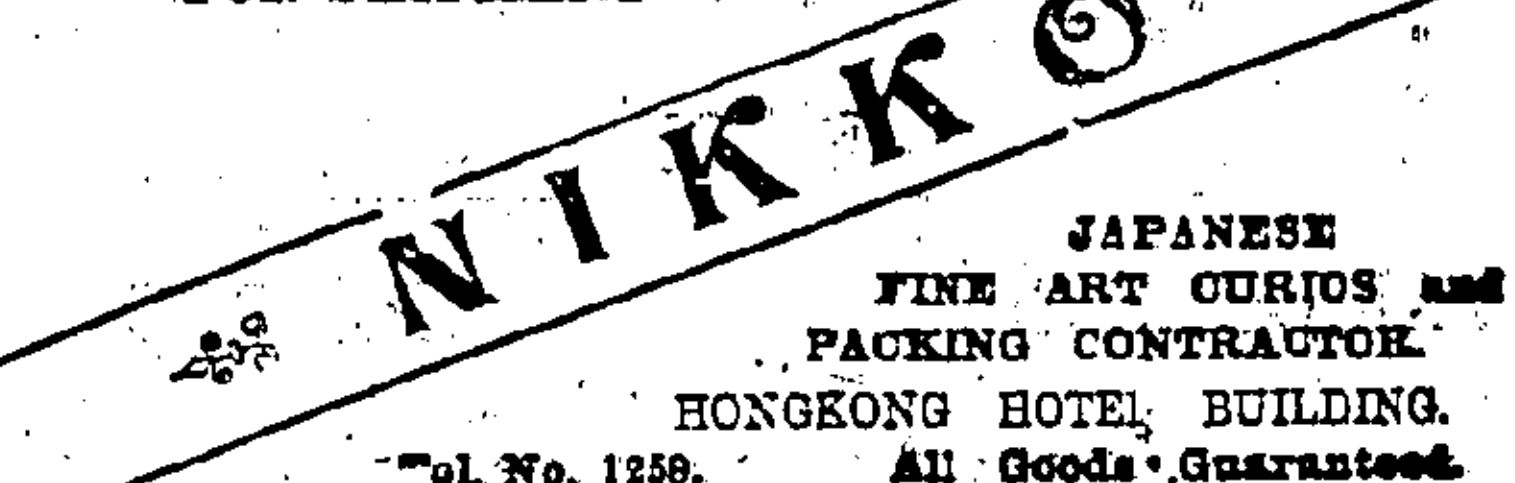
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HONGKONG, WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 6, 1919.

JOSEPH ADDISON.

Joseph Addison died 200 years ago, and "littery" men who have neglected to read him hitherto are all "dipping" and pretending they have done nothing else all their lives. We said men. That was a pen slip. We should have said journalists. We cannot resist the thought that had these journalists really made a regular habit of reading Addison, a recognizable result must have made itself apparent in the literary quality of their work. Not even the homage they pay to haste can explain the total absence of any such visible effect.

This is not to say that we consider Addison's literary style incomparably excellent, nor that we read him when we can lay our hands on something more congenial. In his parables or allegories—like that famous one picturing human life as a procession over a defective bridge, commended to young students by elderly pedants—we find him awkward and unpleasant. This may be an error of taste. To each his appetite. Nor do we find in the essays, with all their dignified and fluent diction, that wealth of ideology, that originality of thought, that novelty of point of view, which we find in Montaigne or Carlyle or Lamb. The American Emerson may (though we are not prepared to submit our reasons for this supposition) have played the "sedulous ape" to Addison. It is certain that Elia didn't, and we refuse to sleep with the man who would prefer Emerson to Elia.

There is, in spite of the dignity of his punctilious periods, a certain sprightliness and human touch about Addison that takes us back to him every now and then, on rainy Sundays, when there is no Bridge; or in some Philistine friend's library, when we cannot find anything but Walter Scott or the Works of Hall Corelli or Marie Corelli. You know the sort of thing where "Daniel Deronda" much, "thumbed" "Heaven's way" "cut wong on Miller's" "Old Red Sandstone," very clean, and only half of it cut. Where Addison scores, and where he might have scored much more, like Thackeray, with a satire less heavy, is in his delicate human foibles and his occasional

successes in character drawing. That we simply cannot share Quiller Couch's enthusiasm for Addison is a source of some uneasiness to us, because we have studied that Cambridge Professor's lectures on English composition and found them wholly to our liking, both in sense and style. Then a thought thrusts itself forward that stiffens our independence. It is this. In recommending a model to the young writer commencing, were we restricted to a choice of two, Addison or Couch, we should have no hesitation in naming Quiller Couch. In such studies there are no gains where there is no pleasure taken, and whereas Addison would nowdays seem a mere task to the ardent disciple of letters, Couch is ever a source of joy to all discoverers. It was Addison, was it not, who gave Milton his first real boom? That's one against Addison, for though we shock unforgivably every conventional critic in the land, we intend to assert boldly that except for colour, some shreds and patches here and there, Milton was no true poet. In the same way Dr. Johnson boomed Addison, and we told Hongkong what we thought of Johnson fifteen years ago. They tell us that there was as much excuse for Addison's ignorance of philosophy as for Johnson's ignorance of science. That may be just. We are not worrying about the amount of prose or either, since both are long past caring; our concern is the reader in 1920, and how they should affect him. The modern physician who should insist on loyal adhesion to the notions of Galen or of Paracelsus Bombastes Whatsname would be the occasion of a fine scandal. Why should we maintain any more reverence for the works of obsolete literary genius? Addison's treatment of the Pleasures of the Imagination may have been well enough two centuries ago; the editors of the *Manchester Guardian* or the *Athenaeum* would return it to-day with the usual printed slip. Just copy it out in fair typewriting, submit it, and see. We will wager an obolus, or a bottle of beer at it please you better, that the editor of the *Nineteenth Century* would return it as unsuitable, always providing that the name on the back of the first sheet of your copy is not a titled one. Pope, a younger writer with a larger vogue than Addison, quarrelled with him, apparently owing to *jealousie de métier*, and wrote some very bitter verses at him. Here, indeed, we may love Addison, who met the attack by further friendly appreciation of the work of the younger man. The work deserved the praise, but the bad temper of the worker had hardly earned such tolerance and equanimity. Steele, by the way, who was associated with Addison in journalism, and whose name is frequently coupled with his, seems to have been just an ordinary chump.

"THEY SHALL NOT PASS."

The headline in this morning's paper, "Abolition of the Pass Office," gave us a gleam of illusive happiness. We thought that some of the seeds the *China Mail* has been scattering had germinated. Perhaps it has, for this headline was over a letter by "A Citizen" who agrees with some of our views. He wrote: "Sir,—Most of the war restrictions have now been withdrawn, and it is difficult to see the necessity for retaining the Pass Office. I believe we have no longer any fear of enemies or spies in our midst, even if there be any they can serve no purpose as the war is over. Let us hope therefore that the present irritating restrictions on our movements will be withdrawn without further delay.—Yours, etc."

The arguments against the retention of the Pass Office are easily remembered. They are:

- (1) Its stupid waste of public money when the need for it has gone.
- (2) Its stupid waste of good policemen when the need for them is great.

THE "TAMING" MUTINY.

Seafaring men did not approve the sentence of six months which Mr. Orme passed on the mutinous Chinese stoker who wanted (they infer) to throw the third engineer into the flaming fiery furnace. We have no doubt that Mr. Orme was right in ruling that the law cannot infer the men's intentions; that they must be proved. Yet what else does it do when it punishes a man for trespass on private premises "with intent to commit a felony"?

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

To-day's dollar is worth 3s. 7 15/16d.

The C.N.s.s. "Taming" cleared for Manila to-day with 1,500 tons of general cargo.

The Indo-China s.s. "Fausang" cleared for Yokohama to-day with 2,800 tons of rice.

Mrs. H. S. Morley and Miss E. A. McNeilan were passengers arrived by the "Iyo Maru" to-day.

The Hon. Mr. Lau Chu Pak presenting a lovely silver bowl to the Hongkong University Union for their sports.

The Chinese Government s.s. "Iwah Yu" arrived from Calcutta yesterday with 406 tons of cargo and 29 bags of mail for Hongkong.

The s.s. "Iyo Maru" from London arrived this morning. Her cargo is 6,011 tons for onward ports and 743 for Hongkong. The "Iyo Maru" brought 54 bags of mail.

The s.s. "St. Albans" (Capt. Piche) arrived from Melbourne early this morning with 1,100 tons of cargo for here and 1,200 for elsewhere. Two Chinese died of senile decay during the voyage. The "St. Albans" brought an Australian mail.

Good work has been put in this summer upon the Chefoo Breakwater Construction. There is unfortunately little or no likelihood of the whole work being completed by the end of the year as was anticipated at the commencement of the spring.

The week's return of communicable disease showed two cases of plague (one British, fatal) one of cholera, one of diphtheria, five of enteric, and five of c.s. fever. Since there were one case of plague, two of cholera, one of purpuric fever, and one of c.s. fever.

A case was heard in Butterworth Police Court, in which five Malays were charged with assault on a Kachi who was alleged to have arrived late to perform the nuptials at a wedding at Bagan Lebei Tahir. The accused were discharged. It was stated that the bride and bridegroom proceeded to another Kachi.

There seems to be difficulty in getting the kind of stone that is essential for the durability of the work. But the three caissons are in position. Quite a good stretch of the actual Breakwater is finished and it is quite a rendezvous for small row boats. Bathers too, are fond of diving off it.

The Victoria Theatre management inform us that owing to the insistent demands of many of their patrons they have been obliged to postpone the screening of "The Vicar of Wakefield" till to-morrow afternoon, instead of to-day. This afternoon, by special request, "The Prize Packets" are giving a matinee performance at the Victoria, and to-night they make their final bow in a very lengthy, new and well-selected bill which for variety and excellence will surprise many. The "Prize Packets" are going to Shanghai on Thursday and are not likely to return to Hongkong for a very long time. On Monday over two hundred persons failed to secure seats at the Victoria. It is likely that to-night the same thing may be witnessed.

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As a result of arrangements made between Sir Robert Ho Tung and Mr. Chan Lim Pak of Canton ten thousand piculs of Wuhu rice are to come from Canton for Hongkong use. The Military Governor of Canton has granted permission for this exportation.

DEALING WITH IT.

Last night a meeting was held at the Tung Wah Hospital to discuss the receipt and the disposal of this handsome contribution to our shortage. The meeting was attended by the Directors of the Tung Wah and Kwong Wah Hospitals and Messrs. S. W. Tso, Fung Ping Shan, and many others.

Mr. Ho Sai Kwong presided. In opening the meeting Mr. Ho asked those present to elect representatives to go to Canton in this connection. The well chosen gentlemen Messrs. Li Yau Tsun and Tse Ka Po will proceed to Canton to-night. Mr. Ho then proposed subscriptions to meet the cost of this relief measure. He announced that Sir Robert Ho Tung wished to subscribe \$10,000—his absence at the meeting was caused by toothache. Mr. Ho also announced that he and Messrs. Tse Ka Po, Lam Hon Ping, Tsang Yiu Ting, Lu Sui Cheuk wished to subscribe \$1,000 each. Lui Po Sang, Yiu Sau Kwan, Li Ying Chi \$500 each and afterward Mr. Fung Ping San subscribed \$1,500. Mr. Li Yau Chuen \$1,000 and Messrs. Liang Pat Yu, Chan King Wan \$500 each.

The meeting finally decided to hold another union meeting at 2:30 p.m. on Saturday next.

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CONCERT AND PRESENTATIONS.

IN THE NAVAL DOCKYARD.

A convivial concert was held in the Dockyard Recreation Club last night when the Club room was packed with members and friends, a fair number of the fair sex being present. Mr. J. Deane presided.

The concert was arranged as an adjunct to the presentations to four members leaving for home at an early date, viz: Messrs. Rewell, Elliott, Hill and Tucker.

During intervals the presentations were made. Mr. Rewell was presented with a maffie clock and a silver epergne, Lieut. Coghlan, R.N., making the presentation; Mr. Elliott a gold watch, and Mr. Hill a silver tea set, these being handed over to the recipients with appropriate remarks by their chief, Mr. G. L. Platt, Naval Store Officer; Mr. Tucker received a handsome large silver vase at the hands of Mr. Fred Brown whose speech was warmly applauded. Mr. Tucker in reply was overwhelmed by the occasion, he said it touched him deeply to leave the Dockyard but both himself and Mrs. Tucker would always highly appreciate the handsome present, and it only remained for the latter to keep it highly polished.

The concert went with a swing. Mrs. Alderman and Miss Brock being the accompanists. Among those who contributed to the programme were the following: Messrs. E. T. Crocker, F. W. Wright, A. B. Allan, F. Tucker, A. J. Brock, and W. Langford. Mr. A. B. Allan besides putting the company in good humour with his comic songs, gave a highly interesting exhibition of card tricks, his manipulation of these evoking applause all round.

Messrs. A. J. J. Brock, E. T. Crocker and W. Langford contributed capital sentimental items. Mr. F. W. Wright also highly amused the company with his contribution.

Mr. Bentley made practically all the arrangements for the concert, and his successful efforts were duly appreciated.

OUR POLICY IN RUSSIA.

NOT IN THE INTERESTS OF INVESTORS—NOT ARF.

This is from the *Financial News* of London, as quoted by Upton Sinclair:

"In this city it is realized that events are shaping more and more towards an international supremacy over Russia, modelled on the British surveillance of Egypt. Such an event would transform Russian bonds into the cream of the international market."

SALE OF LOCAL STEAMER.

"NAM KAM" SOLD FOR \$135,000.

At Messrs. Lammett's auction rooms this morning, the s.s. "Nam Kam" was submitted for sale by public auction.

The "Nam Kam" is reported to have a speed of nine knots. Her length is 194ft. 7ins., breadth 27ft. 3ins., and 19ft. Her capacity by measurement is 1,500 tons, and deadweight, including bunkers, 1,100 tons. She has two cylinders engine of 27ins. and 50ins., with stroke 30ins., and horse-power 105.

When Mr. G. P. Lammett opened the auction there were a number of Chinese and one Japanese present.

Mr. Lammett announced that the ship was under charter which could be terminated by two months notice.

Bidding started at \$150,000 and no bids of less than \$1,000 were accepted. The bidding went up to \$173,000 then there was a jump to \$180,000. Bids of \$1,000 brought it up to \$185,000 when the ship was knocked down to Mr. Chan Hart who was acting for a syndicate.

The "Nam Kam" is a Chinese registered ship and was formerly an American mail steamer, the "American."

AN OPIUM FIND.

On July 21, Sergeant Cockle acting on information received boarded a sampan where he was told by an old woman that she had opium on board, in a box. Prising the lid open he found her statement to be true. Another sampan lying alongside immediately sheered off. His suspicions aroused, he ordered a Chinese detective to give chase. The other boat was subsequently overhauled and a large quantity of opium was brought to light. Two female occupants were charged at the Magistrate to-day with illicit possession of opium valued at \$6,000. The defendant said that two men had boarded their boat and left parcels which they said contained rice.

Mr. E. L. Agassiz appearing for the defence asked for leniency in case of conviction.

Mr. Lindell disbelieved the defendants' story as unconvincing and fined them \$5,000 and \$3,000 each.

AMMUNITION FOR SELF-PROTECTION.

The Chinese were produced at the Magistracy this morning on a charge of unlawfully possessing three Winchester rifles and 1,000 rounds of ammunition. Mr. M. K. Lo appearing for the defendants said they were brothers, the eldest of whom had agreed to plead guilty to unlawful possession. If the Police were willing he would ask the Magistrate to deal with the accused leniently. The men had come down from Vancouver and were on their way to the country. No doubt they knew that they would not be allowed to land ammunition in Hongkong and therefore concealed the stuff. There was no illegal motive, as they wanted the arms in the country for self-protection.

Inspector Cashman said he regarded the men as passenger smugglers. The eldest brother was fined \$500 whilst the other two were discharged.

WEIGHT AND MEASURE PROFITEERING.

Selling fish according to a false scale landed a Chinese hawkler before Magistrate Lindell this morning, on a charge of having false weights and measures. The scale was 18 1/2 per cent. less than the proper measure. In imposing a fine of \$75 on defendant Mr. Lindell remarked that he was a cheat.

Another man charged with a similar offence was said by the Magistrate to be a profiteer. His weight was four per cent. less than the ordinary and the fine was \$15.

Several other cases of a similar nature were heard, the defendants being fined at an average of about \$20.

MORE POLICE.

Amongst the passengers who arrived here on the s.s. "Antilochus" to-day are the following members of the H.K. Police who have been on active service. Sergt. E. Bloor, who has been for sometime a prisoner of war in Germany, and Messrs. M. Murphy, J. McEllan, E. J. Ellis, S. Logan, J. S. Dick, C. J. Kelly, W. Y. Henderson, H. Phillips, C. M. Dornington and four recruits.

We can do with them. There will be work for all, even after we have abolished the Pass Office.

STREET TALK.

First Burglar: What thing?
Second Burglar: Have catche one piece brass bedstead. Can sellum all same your six typewriters.

First Burglar: Police can look see too much.

Second Burglar: No can. Have got Pass Office side.

THE RICE QUESTION.

TWO MORE VIEWS.

There appears no limit to the criticism of the Government over the way they are dealing with the rice question.

Here are two interviews, with only parts of which we are in agreement. A prominent business man whose authority to speak is unquestioned, told a *China Mail* reporter this morning that local merchants were dissatisfied at the Government's method of taking over rice stocks. He said that none would have grumbled, in fact all would have been pleased, had the Government called upon all rice dealers to hand over a percentage of their stocks. This would have been fair to all instead of confiscating the whole stock of any one firm, thus upsetting completely their trading arrangements.

He added that it was a mistake to appoint Mr. Hutchison and that the services of the Hongkong Importers and Exporters Associations which has a rice committee, would have been at the Government's service had they been asked.

There is plenty of rice in the Colony, as much as ever there was, yet firms with huge stocks have never been asked to give up a single bag of rice. There is no need to prohibit exports of rice under the circumstances, and the limited quantities that were stopped from being exported to South Africa, Buenos Aires, America, etc., are infinitesimal compared to the issue. Japan import largely and they should be restricted but not prohibited while the local stocks are so large.

Our reporter made enquiries from a prominent firm which deals in rice among numerous other lines, and asked for an opinion. We were told that it is the general view that Mr. Hutchison delivered the Government into the hands of the Philistines when he took the rice dealers into his confidence and exposed his cards. Up went the prices, the theory being that the Government being prospective buyers are fair game.

Our informant said he would like to see exports a little more rigidly restricted at least until the issue is more clear. This gentleman agreed that the principle of denuding a firm of its entire stock while taking none from others was a real hardship from the business man's point of view. Such action precluded the fulfilment of contracts and might easily divert business which was gained at considerable trouble and expense into other hands permanently.

EUROPEAN ENGINEER CHARGED.

CONVICTED ON AMENDED CHARGE.

R. P. Cameron, second engineer of the s.s. "Kin Shan" was produced before Captain Basil T aylor, R.N., this morning on remand, on an information for deserting the ship on July 23.

On a previous hearing defendant pleading guilty said he had come ashore to get his letters from the Sailor's Home. In the Home, he found two letters from his wife in Glasgow and one from Bailey and Co. The last was ten days overdue, and he immediately called at Bailey's where he was offered a sound job. He thought it was not necessary to have a second engineer in a river boat. He could get no one to replace him, and did not give due notice.

Hearing was then adjourned for defendant to produce witnesses, to testify to his character.

Mr. R. F. Mattingley appearing for defendant to-day informed the Marine Magistrate that he could not get Mr. Bailey to come up as the latter was out of the Colony at present. He did not want to call Mr. Ramsey of the same firm as the latter knew defendant only for a short time.

Capt. T aylor said what he wanted to get at was whether Bailey and Company had persuaded defendant to leave the ship.

Mr. Mattingley said the position was that defendant had got the letter from Messrs. Bailey and Company offering him employment but unfortunately the letter was delayed. Otherwise things would have been different. His client now realizes the extreme seriousness of what he did. He did not think there was any persuasion on the part of Bailey and Company.

Mr. J. L. Walsh, an unemployed shipmaster testified to defendant's good character and said he had known the accused for some time professionally.

Captain T aylor said he did not want to send the defendant to prison and if Mr. Smith (the Captain of the "Kin Shan") had no objections he would amend the charge to one of "Absence without leave." Mr. Smith had no objections and the charge was accordingly amended. On an application from Mr. Mattingley for leniency defendant was ordered by the court to forfeit eight days' pay.

AMOK VICTIM DIES.

In yesterday's issue of the *China Mail* a Chinese was reported to have ran amok in Kowloon stabbing the first three men he met. Since then we learned that one of the men has died from the wounds received.

REMOVAL OF BRITISH TROOPS FROM RUSSIA.

"EMPRESS OF JAPAN" AND "MONTEAGLE" COMMANDEERED.

The *China Mail* learns that in realisation of the scheme to remove the British Forces from Russia, as called by Reuters, that the Government has taken the "Empress of Japan" and the "Monteagle" for the work of repatriating the British Forces in Siberia.

The R.M.S. "Monteagle" is the first to be taken. She will leave here on August 12 or thereabouts for Vladivostok where she will fill up with troops for Home for passage to Vancouver.

The R.M.S. "Empress of Japan" will leave about August 20 for Vladivostok for a similar purpose.

The Admiralty have arranged to leave a number of first class berths at the disposal of the C.P.O.S. for private passengers.

A NOO KING.

"The King of Patagonia" will be the opening comedy of the Banvard American Musical Comedy Co. which commences a short season at the Theatre Royal, Thurs. Aug. 7. The Banvards have been here before so will need no introduction to the Hongkong theatre-goer and are returning to Hongkong with a series of new musical comedy successes.

"The King of Patagonia" is one of those screaming absurdities, that is sure to catch the public favour in its first minutes of playing, there is a careless story running through the comedy which is interrupted time after time by the latest song hits and clever dancing specialties. Willis G. West, who has already established himself a foothold favourite here will be seen in his unimitable character of "Abie" and as he cast as the King of Patagonia, he is plenty of chance to keep his audience in uproars, Wm. Horley will be seen as the Irish Colonel and Pearl Jardine as the much married widow, Hazel Boyd and Myrtle Dingwall have excellent parts, while Bobby Ryles and Roy Haig also have a splendid chance to acquire themselves favourably. The Banvard Girls will be seen in new costumes and specialties and Ryliss Barnes will present another one of her clever classic dances. "The King of Patagonia" will be played on Thursday and Friday nights, and will be followed by another instantaneous hit, entitled "Step Lively" There will be matinees on Wednesday and Saturday afternoons.

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SOLDIERS' COMPLAINT AT DOVER.

REFUSE TO EMBARK.

The General Officer Commanding at Dover, after communication with the War Office, addressed the troops who refused to embark on Thursday, June 12, before their complaints had been heard.

It is stated that the men due for demobilisation will be returned, and category men will be retained for home duty. There are about 60 of the Black Watch who have been prisoners of war, and these, it is expected, will have to go back.

HONGKONG POLICE RESERVE.

Orders issued by the Hon. Capt. Supt. of Police.

RIFLES ETC.

All pullthroughs and oilbottles must be returned to the Armoury on Friday next, the 8th inst, between the hours of 5.30 and 7 p.m. Those who have not yet returned their rifles must do so at the same time.

E. D. C. WOLFE,
Capt. Supt. of Police.

Shanghai merchants are greatly surprised by the sudden notice issued by the Chinese Chamber of Commerce announcing that the meeting called for July 26 is indefinitely postponed. The reason given is that 150 members of the Chamber have asked to have the meeting put off as some confusion has been caused by the behaviour of certain members. The postponement of the meeting is certainly a disappointment to many local merchants, who are anxious to see the chamber reorganised in such a manner as to bring real assistance to Chinese trade and commerce.

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A Government Gazette Extraordinary issued on July 25 contains a proclamation to the effect that for the period from July 25, 1919, the exportation of rice, padi, sugar, wheat, wheat straw, rice, paddy, and oilseed, is prohibited to all ports and destinations abroad other than ports and destinations in the F.M.S., in a Malay State under His Majesty's Protection and in the States of North Borneo and Sarawak.

It is also officially notified that from July 31, 1919, no employer of labour shall supply or sell to any labourer employed by him and to any person dependent on such labourer more than the following quantity of rice in any calendar month—Adult male 3½ gantang, adult female 3½,

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